



Press Release

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SCSO Urges Citizens to be Aware of Jury Duty Scams

Over the past several days, the **Shelby County Sheriff's Office** as well as other law enforcement agencies has had several people call to report a scam involving the collection of money for missing jury duty or court.

The suspect identifies himself as **Sgt. Jimmy Jackson** with the Shelby County Sheriff's Office. He then advises the individual they have missed court and a warrant has been issued for their arrest. He also advises the subject the warrant can be dismissed after a payment of **\$460.00**. The individual is then instructed to get a '**Green Dot**' card, (which is a pre-paid credit card) then call the suspect back with an authorization code.

This is a SCAM! The Sheriff's Office would never contact anyone on a debt collection unless it is in the form of a writ issued by the courts. If anyone is contacted by someone posing as a Shelby County Sheriff's Deputy, attempting to collect a debt, the citizen should **NOT** give any financial information or personal information to the subject over the phone.

If anyone contacts you regarding this, you are strongly urged to record the call and contact our office immediately.

The Sheriff's Office has **NO** employee by the name of Jimmy Jackson.

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